

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3083 - SB 3124

March 13, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes a provision from current law relative to the forfeiture and restoration of the right of suffrage for those persons convicted of crimes before May 18, 1981, which crimes became infamous after May 18, 1981.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

For informational purposes, it should be noted that a compiler's note in TCA 2-2-139 indicates that: "Retroactive disenfranchisement of felons whose crimes were not infamous at the time of conviction but were made infamous later when the scope of infamous crimes was expanded was held unconstitutional and violated the Tennessee Constitution, Article 1, Section 5. *Gaskin v. Collins*, 661 S.W.2d 865 (Tenn. 1983)."

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "Davenport" clearly legible.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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